



Docket No. 1968 Reissue

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Charles A. Finn, et al.

Examiner: Daphna Shai Group Art Unit: 3731

Serial No: 08/988,331 Filed December 11, 1997

For: UNIVERSAL COUPLER FOR SPINAL FIXATION

AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

ASST. COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

[ ] No additional fee is required.

[x] The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Covered by Previous Payments	Rate Extra	Additional Fee
Total Claims*	47	-	47 =	x \$22.00 \$
Independent Claims	9	-	7 =	x \$82.00 \$ 164.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s)	(If claims added by amendment include Multiple Dependent Claim(s) and there was no Multiple Dependent Claim(s) in application before amendment add \$270.00 to additional fee.)			\$ 0.00
			Total:	\$ 164.00

\* Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c).

[x] Charge the fee of \$164.00 to Deposit Account No. 21-0550  
TWO DUPLICATE COPIES OF THIS SHEET ARE ATTACHED.

[x] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 21-0550. TWO DUPLICATE COPIES OF THIS SHEET ARE ATTACHED.

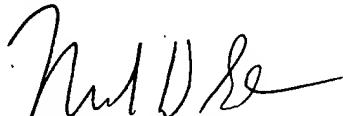
[ ] Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b) an Amendment and Petition to Delete Inventor(s) is enclosed.

Petition for Extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a):  
[please check one]

1. [ ] Is enclosed herewith.
2. [X] Is not believed to be required. However, if a petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is required with this Amendment, please treat this paper as a petition for such extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized charge the required extension fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 21-0550.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 4/21/94

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Date of Deposit April 22, 1999

I hereby certify that the following:

- This Certificate of Mailing
- Response to Office Action Dated January 22, 1999
- Amendment Fee Transmittal
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are being deposited with the United States Postal Service first-class mail on the Date of Deposit indicated above in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

  
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